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Truck shipments of 1,811,600 pounds of fishery products from areas east of Cedar Keys, spread among 30 classifications, were reported during the last two weeks in October, according to summaries released today by the Jackson-ville Market News Office of the Fish and Wildlife Service, United States Department of the Interior.

This compares with 1,732,000 pounds, produced or loaded in Florida, and shipped by truck, for a similar period last year.

Of the 1941 total, the largest amount—1,324,000 pounds—originated on the West Coast, and consisted principally of mullet (1,196,000 pounds). Of total mullet produced (1,329,000 pounds) the bulk was destined for Georgia (861,800 pounds). South Carolina, and home consumption.

Shrimp, with an East Coast production of 242,900 pounds (almost all destined for the New York markets), ranked second in output.

Of the total production, 1,011,300 pounds (of which 983,200 were salt-water fish and shellfish) went to Georgia; 285,800 pounds (228,800, shellfish), to New York; 225,300 pounds were shipped intrastate; and 170,200 pounds went to South Carolina.

Other items in the summaries show that, for the entire month of October, 15 carloads of fresh fish (West Coast origin) were shipped by freight from

Florida to South Carolina, North Carolina, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, and 6 carloads of frozen (East Coast origin) to Michigan, Kansas, and New Jersey. Express shipments (of less than carload lots) included a total of 5,889 packages (barrels, boxes, etc.), spread among 10 classifications of fresh and frozen fish and shellfish. The bulk of this item-4,655 barrels and boxes of fresh fish—was destined for western, central, and eastern states of the country.